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**REPLY UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**  
**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**  
**ART UNIT 3733**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:	§	
Molz IV, et al.	§	Confirmation No.: 7729
	§	
Serial No.: 10/733,554	§	Group Art Unit: 3733
	§	
Filed: December 10, 2003	§	Examiner: J. Swiger III
	§	
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR	§	Customer No.: 46333
REPLACING THE FUNCTION OF FACET	§	
JOINTS	§	

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**REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 30, 2008, please reconsider the above-referenced application in view of the following amendments and remarks. No fees are believed to be due in connection with this filing. If any fees are required, please charge those fees to Haynes & Boone LLP Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.